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## CIA Discussion Disrupted by Whitewasher

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EAST LANSING — A discussion on CIA activities was disrupted momentarily at Michigan State University Monday night when a participant dumped a container of white liquid on a former CIA agent.

Some 175 spectators were stunned as Lawrence Tharp, an editor of the Michigan Free Press, a weekly paper, poured a gallon of the liquid on John Maury, former head of CIA European operations.

Maury, assistant professor Zolton Ferency and several others had discussed CIA activities and had then invited questions from a panel of area newsmen.

A witness said Tharp, after asking Maury a question and making an anti-CIA statement, picked up the container from the table where he sat and ran toward Maury, shouting, "It's still a whitewash."

After dumping the container, Tharp passed out anti-CIA literature and returned to his seat. A student who denounced Tharp's action was applauded loudly.

Although drenched, Maury insisted on continuing, and the session lasted another 45 minutes.

As the program ended at 9:45 p.m., Tharp was arrested by campus police but released a short time later. A police spokesman said Tharp probably will be charged Tuesday with assault and battery.